

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 1040
By Davis

A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of Lana Bowman Ball of Washington County.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly were greatly saddened to learn of the passing of Mrs. Lana Bowman Ball; and

WHEREAS, Lana Ball was an exemplary public servant and consummate professional who worked assiduously to improve the quality of life for her fellow citizens in numerous capacities; and

WHEREAS, a native of Washington County, Mrs. Ball was the daughter of Shirley Scott Hilbert and the late Vernon Hilbert; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Ball served with acumen and alacrity as a secretary for Johnson City Foundry, the Housing Authority, and Judge David Torbett, in which positions she earned the respect of her peers and superiors alike for the exemplary quality of her work; and

WHEREAS, a sublime professional and dedicated public servant, Lana Ball served as a Deputy in the Circuit Court Clerk's office, held the posts of Deputy Registrar and Registrar at Large for the Washington County Election Commission, and was Chief Deputy Assessor of Property; and

WHEREAS, active in Republican politics at the local, state, and national level, Mrs. Ball served as the Treasurer for Governor Don Sundquist's election campaign, worked as a Field Representative for Governor Sundquist, was a Tennessee Delegate for President George H. W. Bush, and served as a member of the Tennessee Electoral College for President George W. Bush; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Ball served in numerous capacities with the Washington County Republican Party and the Washington County Republican Women (WCRW), recently holding

the position of First Vice President for the WCRW. She was a former member of the Executive Committee, Republican Party, Washington County; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Lana Ball was an active and devout member of the Cherokee Baptist Church, which she served faithfully for many years; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Lana Bowman Ball was also deeply devoted to her family, and she always endeavored to remain true to family values of the highest order; and

WHEREAS, preceded in death by her father and her husbands, A.J. Ball and Bob Arrowood, she is survived her son, William Dana, Jr., and his wife, Judy Anne Bowman; Dana's father, William Dana Bowman, Sr.; brother and sister-in-law, Tommy and Lori Hilbert; sister and brother-in-law, Sue and Gary Skidmore; grandson, Dakota Storm Bowman; and nephews, Scott Skidmore, Todd Skidmore, and Seth Hilbert; and

WHEREAS, Lana Bowman Ball leaves behind an indelible legacy of integrity and probity in public life, compassion and loyalty in private life, and diligence and dedication in all her chosen endeavors; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that this General Assembly should pause to remember the bountiful life of this exceptional public servant and human being; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we honor the memory of Mrs. Lana Bowman Ball, reflecting fondly upon her impeccable character and her stalwart commitment to living the examined life with courage and conviction.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we express our sympathy and offer our condolences to the family of Mrs. Ball.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.